UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

Texas Association for the Rights of the	§	
Unemployed, Kathryn Kawazoe,	§	
Stephanie Stout, Kimberly Hartman,	§	
Charles Harmon, and Jesus Duarte,	§	
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Plaintiffs,	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:22-cv-00417
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v.	§	
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Ed Serna, Executive Director, Texas	§	
Workforce Commission, in his official	§	
capacity,	§	
	§	
Defendant.	§	
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Joint Alternative Dispute Resolution Report

Pursuant to Paragraph 1 of this Court's Scheduling Order, Plaintiffs and Defendants submit the following report on alternative dispute resolution:

- 1. Status of Settlement Negotiations: Plaintiffs and Defendants have not reached a settlement at this time. Pursuant to this Court's Scheduling Order, Plaintiffs sent a written settlement offer to Defendants on August 31, 2022. Also pursuant to this Court's Scheduling Order, Defendants shall respond by September 30, 2022.
- Identity of the Person Responsible for Settlement Negotiations: Plaintiffs'
 Counsel David Mauch is responsible for settlement negotiations for the Plaintiffs. Defendants'
 Counsel Joseph Keeney is responsible for settlement negotiations for Defendants.

3. Whether Alternative Dispute Resolution is Appropriate in the Case: Counsel for the parties certify that their clients are aware of the alternative dispute resolution methods available in this district. At this time, Plaintiffs believe that mediation may be useful at a later stage of the case. Defendant does not believe this case is appropriate for alternative dispute resolution.

Respectfully Submitted,

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